



My GEAR UP Space

Gaining Early Awareness and Readiness for Undergraduate Programs

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NEVADA GEAR UP MIDDLE SCHOOLS

CLARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Cannon Middle School
Cortney Middle School
Findlay Middle School
Fremont Middle School
O' Callaghan Middle School
Keller Middle School
Knudsen Middle School
Robison Middle School
Woodbury Middle School

ELKO COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Owyhee Combined School

ESMERALDA COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Dyer Elementary School
Silver Peak Elementary School
Goldfield Elementary School

HUMBOLDT COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT

McDermitt Combined School

MINERAL COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Schurz Elementary School

PERSHING COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Pershing County Middle School

NYE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Amargosa Valley Elementary School
Clark Middle School
Gabbs Combined School

WASHOE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Traner Middle School
Vaughn Middle School
Dean's Future Scholars

Nevada Receives a New State GEAR UP Grant



Nevada received a new GEAR UP grant in 2006 to continue to change the school culture and raise academic expectations. The application was a collaborative effort among the Nevada Governor's Office, Nevada System of Higher Education, the Nevada Department of Education, and stakeholders, including parents, students, Wells Fargo Bank, AT&T and ACT.

Nevada's vision is to change the culture of low academically schools located in economically disadvantaged communities to ensure that students are academically prepared and have the resources to attend and succeed in college.

Nevada's program has four goals: 1) Competency: To increase basic academic skills to enable students to succeed in post-secondary education; 2) Systemic Change: To raise expectations of middle school personnel so as to provide all students with the tools necessary to apply for and succeed in post-secondary education; 3) System Building: To increase a common understanding of P-16 articulation issues among Nevada middle schools; and 4) Access: To increase GEAR UP student access to post-secondary education options and financing. The service delivery model will be based upon a combination of "cohort group" to directly provide services to students and strategic staff development. The federal government and Nevada will each invest over \$18 million during six years of the project. This combination is designed to make sustainable improvements in teaching and learning for as many under-served students in Nevada as possible.

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GEAR UP PADRES

Gear Up es un programa de apoyo a los estudiantes y padres con información y actividades para prepararlos para el colegio.

Suéñelo

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Favor de llamarle al consejero escolar de su hijo/hija para la información acerca del Programa GEAR UP.



GEAR UP Night at McDermitt

GEAR UP visited with parents and students on February 22 to explore Career Cruising. The evening was a success with parents and students identifying potential careers, and exploring each career's salary, work schedule, and education requirements. Students at McDermitt will continue to explore careers and refine the list of potential careers as they progress through middle school and enter high school.

McDermitt Combined School is located 70 miles north of Winnemucca on the Nevada-Oregon border. Like many of Nevada's rural schools, McDermitt is one of the only eleven schools in Humboldt County School District that serves approximately 3,500 students. Many of McDermitt's 20+ 7th graders travel by bus more than 45 minutes to and from school each day.

Cruising with GEAR UP



Career Cruising has been adopted by Nevada GEAR UP to offer students and their families a tool for career exploration and academic planning. Career Cruising is a complete career guidance system with world class assessments, career exploration, comprehensive educational planning, and engaging portfolio development.

Assessments: Career Cruising's intuitive assessment tools are a great place for students to begin their career exploration. **Career Exploration:** Hundreds of detailed occupation profiles can be easily accessed—everything from Actuary to Zoologist—including job descriptions, working conditions, education and training, earnings, and job outlook. **Educational Planning:** Career Cruising maintains a national database of post-secondary schools which includes detailed information on colleges, universities, and other training opportunities. **Portfolio Development:** With its seamless integration into the career and education planning process, Career Cruising's online Portfolio Tool leads students effortlessly through the steps of preparing for the world of work. Students can safely and securely ***Save** Careers and Schools of Interest to their portfolio, ***Create** a personalized four-year high school education plan, ***Document** career preparation plans and activities, ***Record** extracurricular activities, awards, and work and volunteer experiences, **Store** career and education related documents online ***Create** professional looking resumes.

Please see your GEAR UP school counselor for access information and start CRUISING!

Stedman Graham Visits Valley High School

Stedman Graham gave an informative presentation and Q&A session at Valley and Del Sol High Schools on Wednesday, February 7th. Mr. Graham provided insight on how to break through labels and let your skills shine through. His focus was on today's talent-driven society, recognizing unique talents and skills in others allow you to grow to your full potential and operate as a true leader to yourself and to society.



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